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Elimination of Highway Crossing Assured

Marin City residents this week were assured that the hazards of the dangerous highway crossing opposite the city's Greyhound bus station will be removed soon by a re-routing of northbound buses.

This crossing has long been noted for its dangers to pedestrians alighting from northbound buses. Several residents have been severely injured at the crossing by speeding automobiles. The Marin City Council has been active for some time in efforts leading up to the elimination of the crossing.

Northbound Greyhound buses, coming into Marin City from San Francisco, will circle behind the market, and stop by the side of the present ticket-selling Greyhound office as soon as a new wing has been added to that office.

Work on the office addition and the laying of asphalt for the bus area in front of it will start as soon as the weather reasonably permits, Merritt Webster, Housing Authority manager, said.

The proposed changes in the ticket-selling office will convert it into an L-shaped building, with one side continuing to face the highway for southbound traffic, and a new addition facing the Marin City entrance road for pedestrian-safe northbound traffic.

The expenditure of $2000 by the Greyhound Company, which was persuaded by the Housing Authority to spend the money here instead of rebuilding the Manzanita stop, is expected to complete the alterations.

Residents To Get TB X-Ray Exams Next Week

Free chest X-rays for Marin City citizens start next Monday at the Medical Center. The tests for the early detection of tuberculosis will be taken from a special mobile truck equipped to handle an examination every minute.

Those who did not make appointments this week are urged to come to the Medical Center and get the quick examination, as they can be worked into the program when those with appointments are late.

The truck will be here from 1 to 9 p.m. on January 10, 11, 12, 18 and 19. The hours for January 13, 14, 20, 21 and 22 are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The cost of the project is being borne entirely by the Marin County Tuberculosis Association, which is supported through the sale of Christmas Seals.

Individuals will not receive reports of the examinations except those in which the X-ray reveals unsound conditions of the lungs or chest and abnormalities of the heart. These persons will receive confidential reports by mail within 30 days after the examination.

The report will advise them to call at the Medical Center for further diagnosis regarding suspicious conditions. It is believed that about one out of every 25 persons will be in need of further medical advice.

Complete cooperation by all residents will be a great contribution not only to the health of thousands of people, but to the medical world besides, Michael Smith, city council chairman, pointed out.

Teeners Induct Own Police With Ceremony

The first teen-age council in the United States met last Tuesday night in an impressive ceremony to induct their own police force. Fourteen Marin City boys and girls were presented with the badges of their office and sworn into their force with a solemn oath administered by Otto McDermott, local deputy sheriff substituting for Sheriff Walter B. Selmer of Marin County.

The induction ceremonies were opened by invocation by Dr. Norman W. Pendleton of the Community Church, followed by welcoming addresses from Michael B. Smith, Marin City Council chairman, and Lloyd Messersmith, Teener counsellor.

Joyce Palmer, new Teener mayor, took over the chair for the evening and introduced the Teener Council and the district attorney, Beryl Axtell. Beryl described the duties of his office as presenting the facts to the five-man jury which the Teeners will select from their own group to decide their own cases and levy penalties or fines upon erring members.

Beryl wound up his short explanatory speech with "Speechmaking is as new to me as the job of district attorney, so I'll just finish by asking your cooperation."

The surprise of the evening was the presentation of the key to their Teener headquarters by Judge Guy A. Ciocca, executive director of the Marin County Housing Authority, who said, "This key is a symbol of our trust and confidence in you."

Ciocca stated that the new headquarters for the Teeners' use alone will be ready for them in two weeks. The long-awaited building will be complete with snack bar, juke box and furniture.

After the presentation of badges to the police force, Joyce Palmer, chairman, closed the meeting with an address of the intent of Marin City youth in its new venture.

"Marin City is dedicated to the Christian principles that all men are equal in the eyes of the Lord.

"At work and at home we are striving to uphold our democratic way of life. As in the fox-holes of Bataan, American soldiers—both black and white—are fighting side by side—shedding noble blood to preserve American democracy."

The ceremony was conducted under the auspices of the Marin County Department of Recreation, with the leadership of Martha Roberts, assistant recreation director, and Lloyd Messersmith, Teener counsellor.

OFFICIAL U. S. NAVY PHOTOGRAPH

No longer do castaways on a life raft need to fear starvation and thirst. A simple, compact, complete, and fool-proof emergency fishing kit is now standard equipment on all lifeboats, rafts, and planes of the Navy, Army, and Merchant Marine. Hooks, lines, lures, spear, bait, and a net provide the means to catch food. The fish shown has been snagged in the back by treble-gang hooks from the kit.

SHAKE, BROTHER!

Friendly Neighbors Are Great Help to Raising Residents' Morale, Mrs. Marie Larson Finds

"For people who have serious personal problems, life in Marin City is particularly difficult; and they leave at the first opportunity," Mrs. Marie Larson, director of the USO Travelers' Aid, said here this week.

Mrs. Larson made this assertion after a resume of recent cases which have come to her office. Of 19 cases which needed a great deal of assistance, 13 left Marin City to go back home, Mrs. Larson stated.

"These people who have serious problems, such as a critical illness in the family, want to leave and go somewhere where they can get expenses down and be among friends and relatives.

"They are leaving, not because they can't find a house or earn a living here, but because life in Marin City presents physical and morale problems which they canoot cope with.

"The lack of bright lights, the rain, the mud, the dampness, depress them. They don't like the long hill climb and the long distances with no local transportation facilities. The differences of Marin City as opposed to towns which they know make them feel socially ill-at-ease here.

"All of the physical inconveniences of living in a new town which healthy and well-adapted families take in their stride, leave people who are down on their luck with a lost and helpless feeling," Mrs. Larson declared.

"People whom we have helped and who are leaving here to go back home often complain about the unfriendly attitude of their neighbors.

"I know this attitude is common because many people feel there is something strange about living in a government town. They're a little afraid of what their next-door neighbor might be like, so they take no chances about getting acquainted," she continued.

Although she does not often talk to people about lonesomeness when they come to her office because they are there to solve some special problem, Mrs. Larson feels strongly that there is a great deal of unnecessary strangeness here.

"I wish that everyone here could realize that they and their neighbors are the same people that they were back in their home towns. There is no necessity for the suspicious with which so often one resident greets another.

"I am sure," Mrs. Larson said, "that many people are cutting themselves off from friendly contacts with their their neighbors and making themselves lonesome just because they're afraid to break down and take the first step toward neighborliness."

"If the problem of just how to get along is oppressing you, I wish you would drop into the office here and talk it over. Don't feel that we are here just to help in cases of personal tragedy or disaster," Mrs. Larson stated in a genial invitation to everyone who lives here.

Lyle Wentner, county director of the Marin County Department of Recreation, and Lois Nelson, area director, attended the Teener police induction ceremonies last Tuesday at the Community building.

Red Cross Mobile Unit Here Jan. 14

Citizens of Marin City will have their first opportunity this year to give their blood at Marin City Red Cross Blood Procurement Center on Friday, January 14, according to Mrs. W. C. Billingsley, Blood Donor chairman for Marin City.

"The armed forces have requested the Red Cross to gather 5,000,000 pints of blood from volunteer donors this year, a million pints increase over last year," Mrs. Billingsley said. "We must keep on bending every effort to do our share to keep up the supply of blood for life-saving plasma for our men and women on the fighting fronts," she continued.

To give your blood to save the life of the war wounded, sign up for an appointment at the Rental Office in the Community Building or see Mrs. Billingsley at A15-607 after office hours. The Red Cross desk in the Community House will be staffed through this week and next.

Piano Concert Next Sunday

A piano concert in jive is re-scheduled for next Sunday at 4 p.m. in the lounge room of the Community Building. The soloist will be Walter Williams from Baton Rouge.

Williams' brother is an Army chaplain at the Soliders' Hospital at Tuskeegee, Alabama.

City Council Meets Sunday

The Marin City Council meets this Sunday night at 7:30 in the lounge room of the Community Building. The meeting is open to the public.

Negro Workers Renew Fight For Democracy

Three Federal judges this week dismissed an injunction suit brought against Marinship by the yard's Negro workers in an attempt to abolish the practice of the Boilermakers' Union which places all Negroes in separate auxiliary locals. The judges stated that their court was without jurisdiction to determine the controversy.

Three representatives of Negro employees were the plaintiffs — Joseph James, Marinship; J. H. Griffin, Bethlehem, and Earl C. Browne, Moore's. They sought the injunction in order to compel the Boilermakers' Union to admit Negro workers to regular full membership rather than the auxiliary, which they charged was discriminatory.

Attorney Herbert Resner for the Negroes said that he would not appeal the local Federal ruling, but would "probably bring a suit in Superior Court under state laws which prohibit discrimination on account of race as contrary to public policy."

Harry L. Kingman, regional director of the Fair Employment Practices Committee, established by President Roosevelt to overcome racial discrimination in war industries, said that his committee has ruled that Negroes shall not be discharged for failure to join the Boilermakers' Union.

Carnation corsages were presented to all the girls of the Teener Council and Police Force for the induction ceremony last Tuesday by their counsellor, Lloyd Messersmith.

Marin City Cafeteria Opens Soon

The proposed Marin City cafeteria, whose opening has been awaited here for a year and a half, will be operating in the very near future, promises Judge Guy Ciocca of the Marin County Housing Authority.

The building is all ready, and we are awaiting the War Production Board's release of operational equipment to get started, Ciocca declared this week.

There will be a soda fountain in the new building when it opens here, he stated.

Teener Oath Given to Own Police Force

In a solemn silence, before their parents and friends, members of the new Marin City Teener police force took the following oath at their induction ceremony last Tuesday:

"I swear on my honor, as a resident of this community and a citizen of a great nation, to justly enforce the law as established by the Junior City Council; to uphold the high trust placed in me; never to bully, or oppress, or unjustly accuse any fellow citizen, but to carry out the intention of the laws which govern our community.

"I further swear that I shall never discredit the badge I wear, and that I shall faithfully serve in the interest of my city."

Those who were sworn in are Carl Dugan, police chief; Konrad Knudson, assistant chief; Dorothy Williams, police matron; Dennis Pecaut, sergeant, and Herb Holloway, captain.

The rest of the police force who took the oath and received their badges are Ozell Pennywell, Delores O'Neil, Ruby Miller, Harold Marsh, Milton Styler, Berl McKnight, Harry O'Neil, Bob Gruenwald and Carl Beuchler.

Miss Ruth Holchester is the substitute sixth grade teacher here during the absence of Mrs. Isobel Jones, who is taking a leave of absence to be with her Navy husband while he is on his furlough.

Church Service

The Christmas story-telling contest of the Marin City Community Sunday school was concluded last Sunday and the prizes will be awarded by Dr. Pendleton next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. The four winners follow: Robert Abbott, first; Rose Marie Ekman, second; David Crumley, third, and Otis Gaines, fourth.

The second sermon in the series on "Facing the New Year" will be given at the 11 o'clock service under the title, "All Things Are Possible."

The Women's Auxiliary will meet Thursday afternoon, January 13, at 2 o'clock in the Community Center. This will be the first meeting of the new year under the leadership of the new president, Mrs. Darell Adams.

A nursery where parents may leave their small children during the church service is maintained under the direction of Miss Nancy Maycott.

Donation Made To Model Class

A donation of four dollars' worth of supplies to the airplane modeling classes here was announced this week by instructor Arthur D'Ettel, who received the donation from the E. W. Davies Aircraft modeling shop in San Francisco.

The classes, which were canceled last week due to an injury to D'Ettel's arm, will continue as scheduled next week.

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Fixing Bee To Ready Kids' Building

A painting and carpentering bee to fix up the CD building for recreation for Marin City youngsters and teeners is being planned by the Recreation Department here.

All parents who are interested in fixing up a place for their kids to play are urged to volunteer. All paint supplies and carpenter equipment will be supplied by the maintenance department.

The renovation of the building will start as soon as the sheriff's office moves over into its new headquarters behind the Community Building.

Volunteers are requested to contact Martha Roberts or Ethel Johnson at the Community Building about the time they can devote to the job. A post card to P. O. box 236 will also reach them.

Present From Dormitory Men

The men folks from upper Building A at the Dormitories united in giving a Christmas gift of $32.50 to the maid, Mrs. Rosana Urman of Marin City.

Mrs. Bessie Liebig of Mill Valley was also remembered at Christmas time by the men of lower Building A.

Marin City Is Good Place, Says Mrs. Van Pelt

"If you think Marin City is bad, you ought to see Richmond's housing projects," said Mrs. Helen Van Pelt at last Tuesday's Women's Club meeting where she described her tour of projects there.

"Marin City seemed a paradise after returning from there," she declared. Mrs. Van Pelt cited one example of the contrast with her description of a woman resident there who was wearily raking over a big burning garbage pile which was situated right in the front yards of a half dozen Richmond houses.

There are no Victory gardens there, or gardens of any kind, she stated. The only landscape decoration was a few tired-looking lawns for which there were no lawn mowers.

Free Movies On Thursday

Next Thursday's free movie at the Community Building for Marin City kids will include "With Williamson Beneath the Sea," "The Floor Walker" with Charlie Chaplin, and "Felix in Fairyland," an animated cartoon.

The entertainment starts at 6:30 and runs to 7:30 p.m. It is sponsored weekly by the Defense Recreation Commission of Marin County.

Auto Wreck Injures Three City Residents

Two cars met in a head-on collision at the corner of Drake avenue and Barstow Circle in Marin City last Wednesday evening.

One of the cars was driven by James O'Neil, 17, of Mill Valley. His passengers were his sister, Nancy, and Annistia Kielty of House 156, Marin City. The three young people were treated for minor injuries at the Medical Center here.

The other car was driven by James Cox, B6-385, who was not injured in the smashup.

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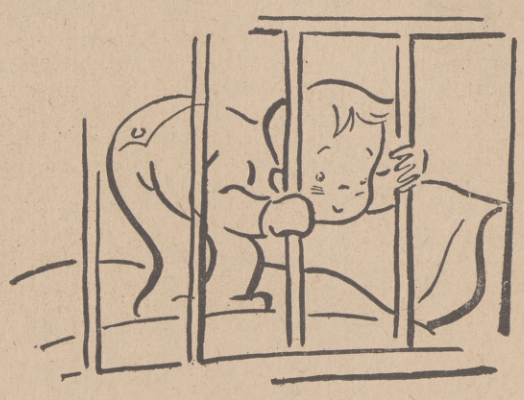

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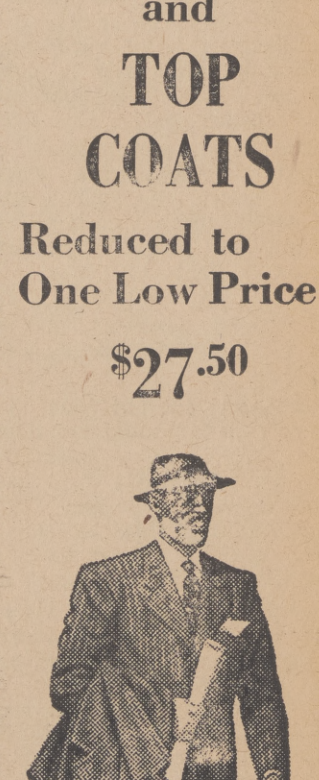

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Scout Council Will Hold Annual Meet

The annual business meeting of the Marin council of Boy Scouts will be held Wednesday evening, January 12, at the Scout Hall in San Rafael. The meeting will start with a dinner at 7 p.m. A committee of Aubrey Cagwin and Thomas P. Boyd are in charge of the dinner arrangements.

The annual business meeting will include members of the executive board, district officials and representatives from each of the organizations sponsoring Scout troops, Cub packs and Senior Scout units.

An election of officers for the coming year will be held. The new officers will be installed at the annual council dinner to be held February 8. The nominating committee is composed of Charles Gunn, chairman; Roy A. Ibach, Lincoln Hawley, Francis Seitz and William P. Murray.

The Silver Beaver selection committee is composed of W. P. Murray, Charles Gunn and J. C. Uhte.

Kenneth K. Bechtel, council president, will preside over the meeting.

U.S. Army Trucks Are Hard Ride

"Don't ride in Army trucks," advises Mrs. George Galbraith, who this week described her experience on one of the jolting vehicles when she rode on her way to Fort Cronkhite to serve at the Service Men's Club there with other members of the Canteen Corps from Marin City and Sausalito.

"It's not only cold, it's hard," she said — indicating that the truck ride produced a lot of bruises and sore spots.

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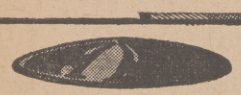

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Moving Day For Kindergarten

It was moving day at the Marin City school when the kindergarten classes came down from their hill quarters and settled into the main building last Monday.

The 5-year-olds are now in residence in what was to have been the cafeteria room, with morning and afternoon sessions there for the youngsters.

The second grade kids went on a double session to let the third kindergarten group use one of their classrooms.

THIS WEEK'S FIRE HINTS

By ROLF BREMER
Marin City Fire Chief

Several fires have been started in Marin City by clothes being stacked on the space heaters to dry.

This is a dangerous practice and should not be tolerated in your home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilker spent [illegible] in Oakland with Mrs. Wilker's mother.

810 Boxes Now At Post Office

A total of 810 boxes are now installed at the Marin City post office, instead of the 684 reported last week, according to Thomas Bradley, station superintendent.

Bradley is also permanent superintendent at the local post office, replacing Henry Shine, who is ill.

Here for a visit with his mother, Mrs. William Stohr, is M. Mellett of Los Angeles.

The East-West football game has been staged in San Francisco for the past 18 years.

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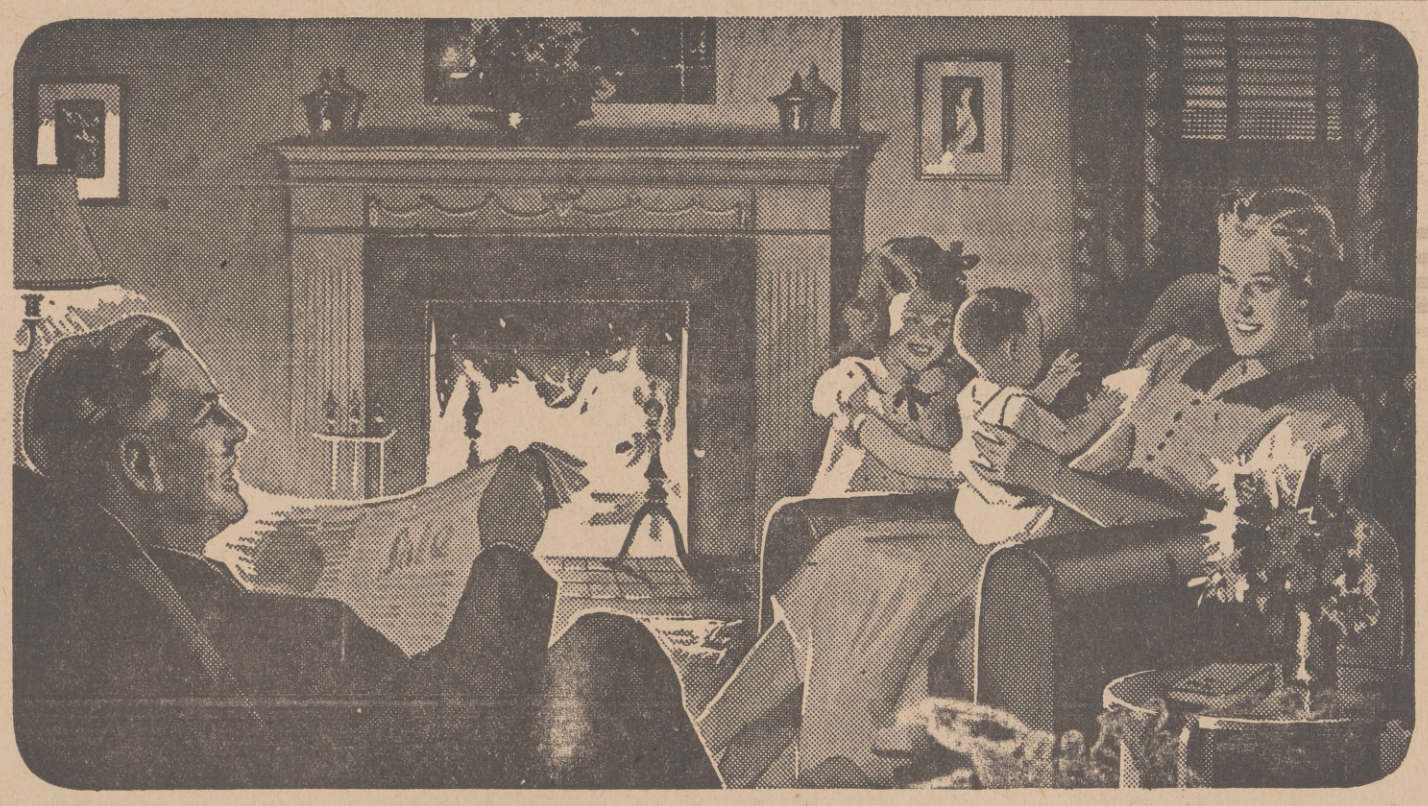

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How to Make Our Houses More Livable

How to add charm to a war home, with down-to-earth ideas for Marin City houses will be the theme of a new series of home decoration courses to be offered here starting Friday, January 14, in the Community Building lounge room from 1 to 3 p.m.

Mrs. R. A. Nisja of the Marin Junior College is instructing for the series of 12 sessions. The group is open to all the women here, free of charge.

Ladies who remember past class sessions in the lounge room may fear interruptions during the class period. But Martha Roberts promises "no disturbing" signs on the doors during instruction hours.

Swing Doors Added To City Fire House

Swing doors are being added to the fire house this week. The doors will permit the fire staff to close the station up and keep the fire apparatus warm and ready to go in case of an alarm.

Rolf Bremer says it will also prevent gas thievery. Twice during the last three months someone has detached the hose from CD extinguishers and siphoned gasoline out of the fire trucks parked in the open station.

Carol Steinmetz Has Birthday

A large white cake with miniature red dog candleholders with six green candles was the center of attraction last Saturday when friends of Carol Jean Steinmetz, House 12, gathered in her home to help celebrate her birthday.

The afternoon was spent playing games, story telling, and opening the gifts. Red and green sparkie balls were given the guests on their departure.

The guests were Toby Allen, Beverly Bright, Idella and Bobby Olson, David Del Tredici, Carolyn Ann Langford, Carol, Joan and Doris Slate, Pat Malloy, Jerry Lee Giles, Frances Woodword, Georgia Lee Hobson, Clara Adella, Marilyn and Harmon Smith Jr., and Lorraine Steinmetz.

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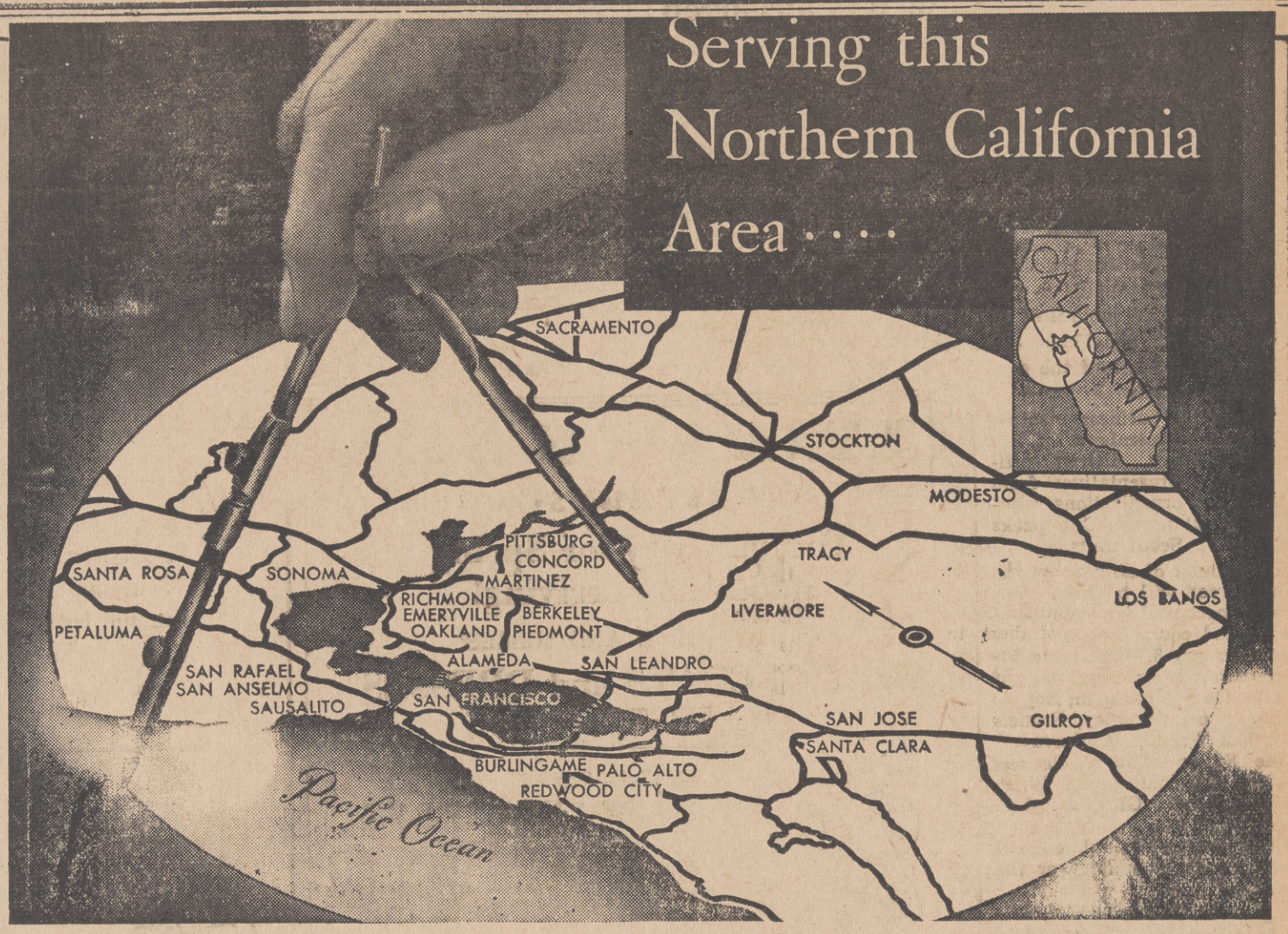

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

At the Close of Business December 31, 1943

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Cash on Hand and in Banks	$133,818,611.33	Deposits	$618,252,423.30
U.S. Government Bonds and Notes	291,989,564.14	Letters of Credit and Acceptances	4,905,908.44
State, County and Municipal Bonds	27,701,018.93	Reserve for Interest, Taxes, Etc.	2,021,259.56
Other Bonds and Securities	18,131,845.61	Capital Stock	
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	570,000.00	Preferred $7,500,000.00	
Loans and Discounts	166,904,181.44	Held by more than 2000 stockholders	
Bank Premises and Equipment	5,681,278.38	Common $7,500,000.00	
Other Real Estate	40,577.40	Held by more than 4000 stockholders	
Customers' Liability under Letters of Credit and Acceptances	4,847,905.48		15,000,000.00
Accrued Interest Receivable and Other Assets	1,876,182.76	Surplus	7,000,000.00
		Undivided Profits	4,381,574.17
Total Resources	$651,561,165.47	Total Liabilities	$651,561,165.47

United States Government and other securities carried at $82,917,108.01 are pledged to secure U. S. Government War Loan Deposits of $38,763,486.72 and other public funds and trust deposits, and for other purposes as required or permitted by law.

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WOMEN'S PAGE

Army Men Send Thanks For Cookies

Another letter of thanks from Fort Cronkhite written to the Marin City Women's Club by the hostess there was read at the club meeting last Wednesday night.

Says Mrs. Josephine Beck: "As usual your Cookie Brigade came through with a delicious large bunch of Christmas cookies. We sent most of them in their gay wrappings to the isolated installations on the day before Christmas. Reports are they were surprised and very well pleased with them.

"We did keep a couple of boxes for ourselves, and they were gobbled up in short order after they had admired them for a minute."

Included in the letter was a "round robin" from the boys stationed there which expressed their appreciation in words like "delicious," "swell," "unsurpassed" and can't be beat."

This Friday's baking for the boys at the community kitchen includes the following volunteers from the club: Mrs. Harmon Smith, Mrs. J. R. Kahrt, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Pearl Makaroff and Mrs. George Galbraith. Mrs. George Hinnenkamp is chairman.

Week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Fitch was Everett's brother, N. Fitch of the Navy.

BLOOD DONOR SERVICE

Mobile Unit at Marin City second Friday every month.
Mobile Unit at San Rafael every other Friday and Saturday.

Travelers' Aid National Chief To Visit Here

Mrs. Bertha McCall, director of the National Travelers' Aid Association, is coming to the Pacific Coast the first of February, says Mrs. Marie Larson of the Marin City Travelers' Aid cottage.

The local advisory committee of that organization will sponsor an open meeting when Mrs. McCall arrives, so that she may address the community on 'What will Travelers' Aid do when the war is over?"

Resident Helps As Ice Man

Congratulations to Duane Stickney who is putting in his tenth week as a part-time Marin City ice man—which is a record of tenure on that job.

Stickney handles one of the routes after putting in a shift as welder at the yard, devoting from four to six hours on ice delivery.

He lives at House 632 with his wife and one child.

Women's Club Holds First Meet of Year

The Marin City Women's Club held its first general meeting of the new year last Tuesday, under the chairmanship of their new president, Mrs. Earl James.

After routine committee reports the group adjourned into a social evening highlighted by the exchange of "white elephant" gifts. Refreshments were served and bridge tables set up for the card players present.

Need Women Partners For Square Dance

A call for women partners at the Monday night square dancing sessions went out from Mrs. Daniel Allen at the Women's Club meeting last Wednesday.

Mrs. Allen announces that a lot of fine men dancers, whose wives don't like to dance, are showing up every Monday looking for partners.

Square dancing goes on at the Council Room of the Community Building starting at 7:30 p.m. and going along until the dancers are exhausted.

Marin City school children bought $280.80 worth of War Savings Stamps last Tuesday.

Strictly Personal . . .

By PEGGY BILLINGSLEY

Shirley James, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl James, here for a holiday vacation, found it very easy to get a job in Marin City. When the New Year's Eve dance committee of C D was shorthanded (due to the illness of several members) she suddenly discovered she was working very hard on the door committee. Orchids to Shirley for a grand job in helping to put over a very successful dance.

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Pvt. and Mrs. Clifford Craven of San Luis Obispo, cousins of Mrs. Al Babcock, were here recently. Also visiting was a friend, Munro Anderson of the U.S. Navy, from Procter, Minn., whom they have not seen for two years as he has been very busy in the South Pacific on one of Uncle Sam's aircraft carriers.

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Petty Officer 1/c Jack Newgaard and Alex Gimenez, both of the Seabees, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Erling Newaard, A5, over the holidays.

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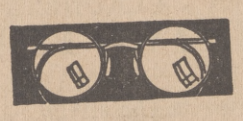

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THE WEEK'S BEST SHOWS

By ANNIE OAKLEY

"Watch on the Rhine" is still in the county. Sunday and Monday, January 9 and 10, you can catch it at the Rafael. If you haven't seen Paul Lukas and Bette Davis in this most intelligent and heart-rending of recent Hollywood anti-Fascist films, don't let anything keep you from seeing it this week end. It may be your last chance and it's well worth the trip to San Rafael.

The Marin is showing "Three Russian Girls," with Anna Sten, late in the week. I haven't had a chance to see it yet but if it's half as good as the Soviet original, "The Girl From Leningrad," it's good.

The Gate has a Hopalong Cassidy on Friday and Saturday. It's called "In Old Arizona," and if you're a Hoppy fan you can recite the plot, so I won't bother about it. On the 13th, 14th and 15th they're showing "Stage Door Canteen," which is a perfect example of what Hollywood evidently thinks the public wants; thousands of stars, thousands of extras, lots of noise and movement, and no plot. Maybe you'll like it.

The El Camino starts the week with a couple of sure-fire characters — Ann Sothern in "Swing Shift Maisie" and Lionel Barrymore in "Dr. Gillespie's Criminal Case." I personally am getting tired of Dr. Gillespie, and will hail the day that Dr. Kildare comes home from the wars. Incidentally, it will be interesting to see if his studio rehires Lew Ayres for the Kildare series after all the bad publicity he had with his conscientious objecting.

Later in the week El Camino screens "Northern Pursuit" with Errol Flynn and Helmut Dantine. You'll probably remember Dantine as the Nazi flyer whom Mrs. Miniver captured in her kitchen. He plays a Nazi in this one and very effectively.

The Tamalpais has two good bets for the week — "Crazy House," with Olson and Johnson, and "Adventures of Tartu," with Robert Donat. "Crazy House" is a long way from being a "Hellzapoppin'." It has a little too much pointless singing and dancing and not enough Olson and Johnson, but it is still funnier than most things that come along. There is a gag in it about a doorknob that is one of the funniest things to happen on the screen since the days of the Marx Brothers.

"Adventures of Tartu" is one of the best British spy stories to come this way in several years. Robert Donat spends most of the picture impersonating a loud, flashy gent in loud, flashy suits.

The Sequoia in Mill Valley will be showing "His Butler's Sister," with Deana Durbin, Pat O'Brien and Franchot Tone. It's good, light, typical Durbin stuff. "Under Two Flags," also at the Sequoia, is a revival that dates back a heck of a lot of years ago. It's a melodramatic tale of the Foreign Legion. Claudette Colbert as "Cigarettte" sacrifices her life for Ronald Colman. That's the plot. It's good entertainment—or was when last I saw it, some ten years ago.

Another revival is "Bahama Passage," at the Rafael. This one is full of blue sea and green islands and tanned Madeleine Carroll and bronzed Sterling Hayden. The Technicolor is striking and, as I remember, the picture itself is pleasant.

BETTE DAVIS is starred with Miriam Hopkins in "Old Acquaintance," the Warner Bros. filmization of John Van Druten's well-known stage play, which opens Saturday, January 15, at the Marin Theater.

New Scout Ship Commissioned At Friday Launching

The launching of the S. S. Mission San Rafael at Marinship on December 31 also witnessed the launching of another ship, the Sea Scout Ship "Sir Francis Drake" of Marin City, sponsored by the Marinship War Fathers Club. As a part of the launching ceremonies, Roger Hurd, president of the War Fathers Club, presented the ship's charter to Capt. Leighton Robinson, Marin County Sea Scout commodore, who in turn presented the charter to the ship's skipper, A. W. Walenta.

Anniversary Is Celebrated By Verne Lindbergs

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Lindberg celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with relatives in Oakland last Sunday.

This celebration away from home defeated many of their Marin City friends who had planned a silver anniversary surprise party for the Lindbergs.

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Mon., Tues., Wed.—Jan. 10, 11, 12
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Also Mae West - Victor Moore - William Gaxton
"THE HEAT'S ON"
Matinee Tuesday at 1:30 p. m.

Thurs., Fri., Sat.—Jan. 13, 14, 15
ANN SOTHERN - JAMES CRAIG - JEAN ROGERS
"SWING SHIFT MAISIE"
Also Lionel Barrymore - Van Johnson - Donna Reed in
"DR. GILLESPIE'S CRIMINAL CASE"

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Ann Sothern, Jas. Craig, Jean Rogers
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Sunday—Jan. 9
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Mon., Tues., Wed.—Jan. 10, 11, 12
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Friday, Saturday—Jan. 7, 8
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Sun., Mon.—Jan. 9, 10
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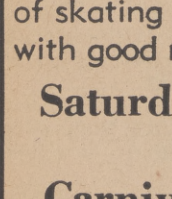
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All proceeds will be used to furnish "dayrooms" for the men stationed at remote outposts throughout Marin County, Mrs. Elbert stated.

Mrs. Ernest M. Smith, Sausalito Red Cross Camp and Hospital Service chairman, has charge of ticket sales in Southern Marin. Tickets including tax are $2.20, and $1.38 for student tickets. Tickets are also available at the box office.

Boy Scouts Plan Court of Honor

A Sausalito, Tiburon, Belvedere and Marin City Boy Scout court of honor will be held on January 13 at Tiburon, with Troop 9 as host.

At the court of honor, Scouts from the four southern Marin cities will receive merit badges won over the past several months.

Visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Hudson, is Edward Hudson of the U.S. Navy. He has been stationed at Farragut, Idaho, for the last two months.

Travelers' Aid Advisory Group Meets Again

The advisory committee to the USO Travelers' Aid had its second meeting at the USO cottage on Monday night, January 3. Victor Wells, assistant employees' relations manager of Marinship, chairman, presided. Members attending the meeting were Milen Dempster, project services advisor of the Marin County Housing Authority; Mrs. Leroy D. Eldridge of Sausalito, Mrs. Marie Pendley of Marin City, Michael Smith, chairman of the Marin City Tenane Council; Mrs. Ethel Cobb Souza, dean of women at Marin Junior College, and J. T. Peckner, vice president of the Central Labor Council.

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A rainy day schedule is going into effect at the Community Building, says the Recreation Department. The change keeps recreation out of the gym on rainy days, because it is needed for the nursery school and child care center.

The special events are going on as scheduled, and the council room is open every afternoon for quiet games, with everyone welcome.

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Immediate Action Is Needed

Several weeks ago we reported that hot meals would soon be available for all Marinship workers on all shifts. We got our information from Marinship spokesmen and from stories which appeared at the time in the daily press. We thought we were reporting facts. Both our news story and our editorial were printed in good faith.

A letter from City Councilman Dan Lounsbury appearing on this page points up the fact that nothing evidently has been done since that time to bring hot food to the yard.

Meanwhile, the conditions which are described in Lounsbury's letter still prevail.

Recently President Roosevelt in a message to various war agency heads urged the establishment of cafeterias in every war plant. He pointed out that the increase in health standards and the boost in morale would be great if his recommendation were carried out.

More recently Dr. Wilton L. Halverson, state director of public health, said there was a need for more feeding and shelter facilities in war industries, "particularly in the shipbuilding industry and most particularly in shipyards located in the San Francisco bay area."

The food situation at Marinship has long been the subject of bitter comment by the majority of workers in the yard. Councilman Lounsbury's letter has been echoed by everyone who has been forced to undergo the experiences he describes—and that includes more than 90 per cent of the yard's workers. Conditions have gone past the scandal stage. They are now actually a hindrance to a vital part of the nation's war effort.

Within the past week construction of facilities for serving hot meals at reasonable cost has been started at all large Southern California shipyards. This action was taken by the yard operators and the Maritime Commission after workers in the yards had presented them with a tremendous organized protest about conditions similar to those we face every day at Marinship.

The latest information received from the Marinship management is that plans for serving hot meals in the yard are still being discussed. **The management tells us that the result of these discussions will enable the Maritime Commission to determine whether or not such a plan is feasible or necessary!**

We think the Marinship management is stalling on a problem which is vital to the health and welfare of more than 15,000 workers. We think the Marinship management is fooling around with a problem which is hindering the building of ships which carry urgent cargo to our armed forces.

An immediate frank statement from the Marinship management on this question would do much to help the situation. Such a statement would be a good start.

More than just a statement is needed, however. The time is long past when action should have been taken to solve the problem.

We urge the Marinship management to immediately:

1) See to it that prices are lowered on food items now sold at yard canteens.

2) See to it that special emergency eating shelters are constructed at key convenient points throughout the yard.

3) See to it that either more canteens are set up or service at the present ones are speeded up.

We further urge the Marinship management to:

1) Make a complete survey of all yard workers to learn their views on present feeding facilities and to learn what these workers think is necessary in the way of more adequate facilities.

2) Start construction at the earliest possible moment of food centers within the yard where hot meals at a reasonable price will be available to all workers on all shifts.

We have a feeling that such a program as we suggest will not come about all by itself. Therefore we would further like to urge that a large committee of workers from all crafts be formed to crystalize the thoughts of all Marinship workers on this subject and to carry on a campaign designed to bring about the program all of us feel is so necessary.

Marin City Bulletin Board

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8—
Sign up for TB X-rays—Lounge Room, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Catechism—Council Room, 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Children's Movies—Auditorium, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Recreation—Community Building, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9—
Catholic Mass—Council Room, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School—Council Room and Lounge, 9:45 a.m.
Horseshoe Throwing—By Fire House, 1 to 3 p.m.
Symphonic Records—Lounge, 6:30 to 10 p.m.
Double V—Council Room, 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10—
Furniture Making or Handcraft—Bldg. 400, 10 a.m to 1 p.m.
Badminton for Adults—Auditorium, 7 p.m.
Civilian Defense—Control Center, 7:30 p.m.
Square Dancing—Council Room, 7:30 p.m.
Community Bldg. open for recreation—1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11—
Junior Red Cross—Council Room, 3 to 5:30 p.m.
Community Bldg. open for recreation—1-5:30 p.m.; 7-10 p.m.
Boy Scouts, Troop 34—Control Center, 7 p.m.
Square Dancing for Teeners and Children—Civilian Defense Building, 4 to 5:30 p.m.
Home Nursing Class—A41-363, 10a.m.-12 noon; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Teeners Airplane Modeling—Child Care Bldg No. 2, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12—
Square Dancing for Teeners—Council Room, 7:30 p.m.
Furniture Making and Handcraft—House 400, 10 a.m-1 p.m.
Well-Baby Clinic—Council Room, 8:30 a.m.

MIKE'S COLUMN

By MICHAEL SMITH

The event that took place last Tuesday in Marin City deserves more than just passing attention from the residents of our town. The occasion was the formal induction ceremony of the Teeners' City Council.

This was not just another stunt in which youngsters "take over" the city government for a single day like the DeMolay and other youth organizations have done in the past. The significance of this occasion goes far beyond the matter of letting kids play at being grown up. It was the deadly serious business of young men and women intelligently attacking all of the problems that come under the general heading of juvenile delinquency.

It's encouraging to note that the adults who are giving direction to the program have recognized a truth that so many experts are prone to ignore. The truth is that people are essentially creatures of decent instincts who are capable of an infinite degree of dignity and kindness if they are given half a chance. And this is no less true of people just because they happen to be young.

Under the provisions of the constitution that has been developed by the leaders of Marin City's youth, laws governing the affairs of the kids will be made by their own council, whose members they have democratically elected.

They will have their own police force to assist in their enforcement, and they have their own court to administer justice.

If any of the parents who attended the induction ceremony came with the idea that it was just a lot of play-acting on the part of irresponsible kids, they were quickly disillusioned by the fact that among those present were several former members of the Teener group —wearing the uniform of the U. S. Navy.

As this program of self-government in the youth of our city unfolds it is going to attract nationwide attention as the only truly genuine manner in which one of America's biggest domestic problems can be solved. So, while all the major cities of the country grope for the answer to the problem of "juvenile delinquency" so far without success, Marin City is going to solve it before it ever seriously occurs.

Incidentally, the oath that was administered to the Junior Police by a representative of the county sheriff's office was one that would serve as a perfect model for any policeman in the country.

Of one thing I am certain: the young people who participate in this expression of democracy will be better equipped when they leave this place to fight in World War Three, which in the words of Dr. Norman Pendleton who offered the invocation, "will be a war on all home fronts against poverty, ignorance and disease, and for the dignity of the human race."

A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Where is the cafeteria at Marinship that you described in your editorial several weeks ago? There is a cafeteria available to the Personnel Department at the north end of the yard, but for the men and women who actually build the ships there is less than nothing.

I have carried my lunch for several months, because in my opinion the sandwiches that are sold in the yard at the canteen are hardly fit for human consumption.

Unfortunately for me, one day last week I was forced to buy my lunch or go without. I was working near the gang plank and was off the boat by 12:01. I noticed several people running in the direction of the canteen, but supposed it was because of the rain until I saw the line of people waiting to get clipped by the catering service.

I got in the shortest line and waited until 18 minutes past 12 o'clock. There were others behind me. I could not get a box lunch (or trash box) as they are referred to. I bought two sandwiches and two cups of coffee. I was shocked to learn that sandwiches had gone up 50 per cent in price, but not in quality—and here I thought the OPA was to protect us. Oh, well, the coffee had cooled off 50 per cent and was at least that much weaker, so perhaps that evens the score in some people's minds.

I realize that the canteens are only there to help the war effort, but I am not sure which side they are helping.

I left the canteen to try to find a dry place to eat. I crawled back under the docks where there was only a little muddy water dripping down. I had just four and one-half minutes left to eat my lunch before the first whistle sounded to go back to work; and needless to say I felt very much like the small boy who finished watering the elephants only to learn the circus was over.

In talking to my fellow workers I found that I got off easy. If you choose the meat sandwich it costs 20 cents unless you choose turkey which is 25 cents. Imagine that! Twenty-five cents for two slices of bread and one thin slice of cold turkey. It would sure make an old gobbler proud if he knew he would be worth close to 50 dollars to the Marin catering service.

A pipefitter remarked, "There is something about this soup here that reminds me of the tankage I used to feed my hogs. I wonder what they make this soup out of?"

England found that hot food was more valuable than even ammunition in their heaviest blitz.

It makes us wonder. Is Marinship concerned about the health of their employees? If so, why is this condition permitted to exist?

We need action now, not after the duration.

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The SOAP BOX . . .

By THE EDITOR

Within the past ten days we have seen newspaper headlines which have bothered us and made us mad.

One of them, appearing over a column written by a so-called foreign expert, said "Little People Fear Red Army Advance." The story written by this individual hinted that plain, ordinary citizens of the Nazi occupied countries were mortally afraid of the tremendous Red Army gains. He said that Polish and Rumanian inhabitants were fleeing from their homes before the Red Army arrived.

This kind of so-called reporting makes us almost sick at our stomach. It is a nauseating parody of a free press — for nothing could possibly be farther from the truth.

For years before the war started, peasants and workers living in Poland, Rumania and other states of Eastern Europe lived in abject poverty. Starvation was common, actual famines were not unusual. All of the land was in the hands of a feudal nobility. Most of the industry was owned by absentee landlords in Berlin, Paris, Warsaw and other cities remote from factory sites. The entire police systems of these countries were in the hands of these feudal barons and industrialists. Peasants were serfs — actual slaves on the land. Industrial workers were forbidden to form unions, and strikes were punishable by death. Ninety per cent of the population of these nations lived under these conditions.

When the Nazis invaded they not only kept the old slavery, but imposed newer forms on top of it—many times with the cooperation of the native nobility and industrialists.

Before the war the workers and peasants of these Eastern European nations looked with great friendship on their neighbors of the Soviet Union. They saw great collective farms grow across the border—farms whose produce benefited the entire people and not a few feudal landlords. They saw mammoth trade unions formed — trade unions of free workers who formed a bulwark of a nation where freedom for all people was the watchword.

After the Nazi invasion the people of these Eastern European nations looked to the Soviet Union for deliverance. Their underground movements cooperated closely with guerrilla units of the Red Army. Their propaganda against the Nazis used Red Army slogans. Their friendship for the Soviet Union now was more than a yearning across borders — it grew into a working partnership which spelled death to Nazis wherever they found them.

These "little people" of the Eastern European nations have stayed at home to fight the invaders, while their so-called leaders fled abroad or cooperated with the Nazis. The "little people" have fought and died for freedom alongside Red Army men.

Whoever dares to say that the "little people" of Eastern Europe, or of the world for that matter, are afraid of the Red Army and the Soviet Union are either utter fools or are tools of Fascism.

We know who is fleeing before the Red Army—and it isn't the "little people."